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FM AMEMBASSY PORT LOUIS

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT LOUIS 0779

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SUBJECT: CONTACTS WITH SOVIET DIPLOMATS

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1. IN HIS INITIAL CONTACTS WITH EMBASSY, NEWLY ARRIVED SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO MAURITIUS, NIKOLAI I. BANDOURA (PORT LOUIS A-160 DATED JULY 10, 1973), HAS VENTURED BI-LATERAL LINE CITED REFTEL. IN PAYING A FIRST COURTESY CALL AT EMBASSY, BANDOURA SOUGHT COOPERATION THIS EMBASSY IN MAINTAINING CONTACTS WITH HIS OWN, AND MADE SPECIAL REFERENCE TO ACTIVITIES OF BOTH PRC REPS STATIONED HERE AND SINO-MAURITIAN COMMUNITY. UNDERSTAND HE DID NOT TAKE SUCH APPROACH EITHER WITH BRITISH OR FRENCH CHIEFS OF MISSION.

2. BANDOURA MOST CRITICAL OF PRC, STATING THAT IN THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES, CHINESE TOUTED THEMSELVES AS FROM LESSER DEVELOPED COUNTRY; WHEREAS THEY WERE IN FACT OF SUPER-POWER STATUS AND POSSESSORS ATOMIC WEAPONS.

3. BANDOURA HAS GIVEN IMPRESSION THAT SOVIET EMBASSY UNDER HIS DIRECTION WILL TAKE NEWLY ACTIVE ROLE IN MAURITIUS. OF ALL MISSIONS LOCATED IN THIS COUNTRY, ONLY SOVIETS AND CHINESE DO NOT HAVE OFFICE SPACE IN CAPITAL ITSELF. BANDOURA STATES  
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HIS FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS WILL BE TO MOVE HIS CHANCERY TO

PORT LOUIS. AS FORMER JOURNALIST, HE ALSO INDICATED HE WOULD  
SEEK CLOSER CONTACTS WITH MAURITIAN PRESS, AND RECENTLY MADE  
POINT OF CALLING AT OFFICES OF STAR, MUSLIM COMMUNITY'S DAILY  
NEWSPAPER. PRESS ALREADY QUOTES HIM AS SAYING HE WOULD SEEK  
REVIVIFY SOVIET-MAURITIAN FISHING AGREEMENT.  
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